

THE WARNING





WE ARE LIVING AT THE END OF THE AGE

This is a time like no other. The world is in turmoil; with pandemics, wars, climate change, fake news, violence and hate. Yet all the chaos we see in the world today was **predicted thousands of years ago**.

We are living at the end of the age. **Time is almost up** and this book will prove it - if you can spare a **few minutes** to read it!

You will be amazed at how stunningly accurate the Bible is at describing what is happening in our world TODAY

Not many people know this, but the Bible has accurately predicted thousands of years of human history before it happened. One such example is in the 11th chapter of Daniel (a book in the old testament).

It foretold the fall of the Persian kingdom and the rise of the Grecian empire under Alexander the Great. It also predicted how his kingdom would be divided after his death as well as many other historic events thereafter. **Daniel was written long before any of this took place!**

History confirms and validates the prophetic writings of Daniel 11

If you doubt this and want to check it out for yourself, then visit the web page below. It takes you through the scriptures and matches each prophetic verse with what occurred according to the history books.

<https://beholdchrist.org/exp/daniel11>

Did you know that 2000 years ago, people were expecting the Messiah to appear - right **before** Jesus Christ claimed that He was the one? How did these people know? **They knew because the scriptures told them of the signs that would point to His imminent arrival.**

As it was then, so it is now!

Today, many people are watching for Christ's return. This is because they can see Bible prophecy being fulfilled. **So many clear signs, that are recorded in scripture, are happening in the world today.**

Many prophecies are being fulfilled TODAY, in this present age, and they all point to the soon return of Jesus Christ

Unfortunately, not everyone knows about the many signs in the Bible that warn us about the Lord's imminent return. Nor do people realise that these signs are actually happening in the world today.

This is why this book has been created. It gives a clear and easy to understand summary of the many signs in the Bible that warn us about the soon return of Jesus Christ. **This book also explains how each of these signs are being fulfilled.**

No one knows precisely when Christ will return and it is not the intention of this book to set a date. While no one can know the exact time, we can know the season, and that season is **now!**

Look at what Jesus said during His first advent...

Matthew 16:2-3

When evening comes, you say, 'The weather will be fair, for the sky is red,' and in the morning, 'Today it will be stormy, for the sky is red and overcast.'

You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but **not the signs of the times!**

Jesus rebuked the religious leaders of that day for asking for a sign, when scripture clearly confirmed that **He is the promised Messiah.**

They could not see, (or they simply refused to see) **the signs of the times.** History is repeating itself. The signs that Jesus says will point to His return are being fulfilled in the world **TODAY.**

Are we living at the end of the age? **Read and judge for yourself...**

ISRAEL REBORN

Isaiah 66:8

Who has ever heard of such things? Who has ever seen things like this? Can a country be **born in a day** or a nation be **brought forth in a moment**?

Yet this is exactly what happened on 14th May 1948. The termination of the British mandate in Palestine at the end of World War 2 enabled a fledgling state to be founded by a small number of Jews.

The ancient nation of Israel was reborn. It took the president of the United States, one Harry S. Truman, just **11 minutes** to formally recognise the new country. The rest of the world followed shortly after.

The tiny state, surrounded by enemies intent on its total annihilation, was attacked relentlessly. **Miraculously, it survived the numerous wars that were waged against it.** Not only did it successfully defend itself, but through many skirmishes and battles, Israel made incursions in to enemy territory. In 1967, Israel was attacked once again, but through this war it gained full control of the ancient city of Jerusalem.

THE BIBLE PROPHESED THAT THIS WOULD HAPPEN

Since then, many Jews scattered around the world have made the journey back to their homeland in fulfilment of many prophecies in the Bible, such as the one below which is found in Ezekiel.

Ezekiel 37:21

This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I will take the Israelites out of the nations where they have gone. **I will gather them from all around and bring them back into their own land.**

Why does the fulfilment of this and other prophecies about Israel point to the end of the age? To get this answer, let us look at what Jesus said to His disciples about how they would **know** the end was near...

Luke 21:39-31

He told them this parable: Look at the **fig tree** and all the trees. When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. Even so, when you see **these things happening**, you know that **the kingdom of God is near**.

What is this “fig tree” and what are “these things” that Jesus is speaking about? **Using the Bible to interpret itself**, we have the answer to both those questions. The fig tree is explained through the prophet Joel, who wrote about ancient Israel being invaded in times past.

Joel 1:6-7

For a nation has invaded my land, mighty and without number; its teeth are the teeth of a lion, and it has the fangs of a lioness. It has made my vine a waste, and **my fig tree splinters**.



See that God Himself declares that **Israel is His fig tree**. Israel is truly “sprouting leaves” in our world today! What else did Jesus say?

Luke 24:32

Truly I tell you; **this generation** will certainly not pass away until **all these things** have happened.

Today’s generation is the one Jesus is speaking about! But what are **all these things** that Jesus speaks of? Can it be proven that they really are all happening in the world today, just like He said?

If we back up a few lines in the Bible, then we can read what “**all these things**” are because **Jesus listed them...**

ASTRONOMICAL SIGNS



Jesus said there will be astronomical signs that will happen before His return.

Luke 21:25

There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars.

But what signs? The book of Joel provides further information...

Joel 2:30-31

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes.

In 2014 and 2015 there were **four blood moon eclipses**. Blood moons are rare, but they are not that uncommon. However, these blood moons occurred without any other partial or full lunar eclipses in between. **This is very rare**. This phenomenon is called a "**tetrad**".

Even more amazing is that each of the blood moons fell on the Jewish feast days of Passover and Sukkot (which is the Feast of Tabernacles).

- **15 April 2014** - *Passover*
- **8 October 2014** - *Feast of Tabernacles*
- **4 April 2015** - *Passover*
- **28 September 2015** - *Feast of Tabernacles*

Coincidence? No! Passover celebrates when Israel escaped Pharaoh of Egypt. Only those who marked their doorposts with the **blood of a lamb** escaped God's wrath. The feast of Sukkot celebrates when God dwelt with His people in the wilderness. But why did God choose these particular feasts for the blood moons to happen on? **It is a warning**.

Only those marked with the **blood of the lamb** (Jesus Christ) will be "passed over" (**Passover**). Then God will dwell once again with His people (**Tabernacles**). The dates appearing twice is confirmation that what God has decreed can not be changed and it will come to pass.

Then, on 23rd September 2017, another prophecy was fulfilled...

Revelation 12:1

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of 12 stars on her head.



The constellation Virgo (the woman) was clothed with the sun and had the moon under her feet. Virgo was crowned with 12 stars; the 9 stars of Leo, plus Mercury, Mars and Venus (which are called "wandering stars"). Coincidence? Perhaps. But look at what else Revelation says...

Revelation 12:2

She was **pregnant** and cried out in pain and was about to give birth.

Was Virgo pregnant? Jupiter (the **king** planet) entered Virgo's womb area in 2016. It travelled for 2 months across the womb, but before exiting, it spun back on itself (a term called retrograding), which keeps it in the womb area. Jupiter finally exits Virgo's womb after 42 weeks, **which is the maximum gestational period of a healthy pregnancy!**

After Jupiter exits the womb area, the moon appears at Virgo's feet. The moon, the wandering stars and Regulus (the "**kingly**" star in Leo) all come in to alignment at that moment too. Coincidence? **No!**

God owns the Heavens and the Earth. **He is indicating what is about to take place on Earth through signs in the sun, moon and stars.**

For a more detailed study of this sign, and how you can see it for yourself, visit <https://beholdchrist.org/exp/23september2017>

NATURAL DISASTERS

Luke 21:25-26

On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea.

People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world...

Natural disasters have always been part of life on Earth, but never before in human history has there been such an increase in the number of disasters.

Not only is the rate of disasters increasing, but they are more intense and are happening in more diverse places. Jesus gave mention of how the Earth would be affected by such disasters in these latter days.

Do you see in the scripture above how Jesus accurately describes not only the sea, but also how the nations are perplexed by it and do not know what to do? **This is clearly pointing to climate change and rising sea levels.**

People are terrified at what the future holds for them and their children. Extinction Rebellion and other protest movements have sprung up and green activists are calling on governments to do more to combat global warming.

God is the creator. Both the Heavens and the Earth are His. **Sin is the problem, not global warming.** Just as people are unable to save themselves, neither can they save a dying planet Earth.

Looking at the data over the last 30 years, there is a clear trend: **the number of disasters is increasing.** The table shows comparisons for various disasters from 30 years ago, right up until the end of 2019 (at the time of writing, this was the latest year that the data was available for).

Source: EMDAT (Int Disasters DB)	1970	2019	
All natural disasters	77.00	361.00	+369%
<i>Drought</i>	2.00	15.00	+650%
<i>Earthquake</i>	11.00	32.00	+191%
<i>Extreme temperature</i>	0.00	20.00	
<i>Extreme weather</i>	24.00	85.00	+254%
<i>Flood</i>	31.00	170.00	+448%
<i>Landslide</i>	5.00	22.00	+340%
<i>Volcanic activity</i>	0.00	4.00	
<i>Wildfire</i>	3.00	13.00	+333%

At the time of writing, 2020 has not yet finished but it is already shaping up to be an exceptional year for natural disasters.

Also, in Revelation, we are warned that near the end, much of the Earth will have been consumed by fire.

Revelation 8:7

A third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.

Fires in recent years have increased massively and 2020 has saw record breaking wildfires occur across the world. From fires in Siberia to the Australian bushfires, to the Amazon rainforest and “unprecedented” fires in many states across America and throughout the world.

Also, the rapidly melting Thwaites “doomsday” glacier in Antarctica threatens a sudden rise in global sea-levels and the oceans are becoming more acidic due to pollution. **It is all pointing to disaster.**

These signs are truly fulfilled today. They are clear evidence that we really are living right at the end of the current age!

FAMINE

Matthew 24:7

There shall be famines...

Great famines have occurred in recent history which have killed millions of people. Today, despite new technological advancements in agriculture, the UN reports that hunger is increasing worldwide.

- **690 million undernourished or hungry people in the world.**
- **840 million people are forecast to be hungry in 2030 on current trends.**
- **8.9 per cent of people in the world are hungry.**
- **2 billion people are unable to access safe, nutritious and sufficient food year-round.**
- **750 million people are severely food insecure.**
- **3 billion people cannot afford a healthy diet.**

Source: UN.org

In addition to the above, there have been various plagues breaking out across the world. **Although it is not making headline news, plagues of locusts have been devastating crops in Africa.**

More frequently, disasters occurring here and around the world have been described "like something out of the Bible". Even the BBC reports that the plague of locusts covering much of Africa is of **biblical proportions**. This is because **they are biblical**. Sin is the cause...

Isaiah 1:19

If you are willing and **obedient**, you will eat the good things of the land.

As humanity drifts further in to sin, this sign will become even more apparent, as famine increases across the whole world.

PESTILENCE

Matthew 24:7

There shall be... pestilences...

Diseases that were once thought to have been eradicated (such as Measles) are making a comeback in parts of Europe and the United States. Ebola is also making a comeback in Africa and there have also been outbreaks of Bubonic Plague which has, in the past, killed at least 25 million people worldwide.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) says that chronic diseases are increasing rapidly throughout the world (and this was before the coronavirus pandemic). **2020 is sure to be a record-breaking year for deaths due to Covid-19.**

An "anti-biotic apocalypse" looms on the horizon. "Superbugs" are proving resistant causing anti-biotics to become less effective. Meanwhile, existing diseases are on the increase around the world.

In 30 years, deaths caused by cancer have increased from just under 6 million to nearly 10 million. The lifestyles of people in modern society is also contributing to a large number of health problems, leading to obesity, heart attacks and other conditions.

Many of the chronic and degenerative illnesses that are around today were extremely rare in the past. **Many have only made an appearance in the last 300 years!** Diseases such as cancer, diabetes, fibromyalgia, and multiple sclerosis are considered "man-made diseases" by many scientists and people in the medical profession.

Over half of the population in developed countries today take medication regularly for some sort of condition or ailment.

Despite huge advancements in health and technology, we live in the most unhealthiest time in human history! **This sign is truly fulfilled!**

EARTHQUAKES

Matthew 24:7

There shall be... Earthquakes, in diverse places.

Jesus also spoke about earthquakes. They are not only increasing in frequency, but are appearing in more and more "diverse places", which the Bible predicted would happen before the end.

These signs are to intensify during the last days, and that is exactly what is happening with earthquakes.

Take a look at the following information and judge for yourself:

- **New Zealand felt a record 32,000 earthquakes in 2016:**
<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/one-news/new-zealand/nz-dubbed-groundbreaker-after-record-32-000-quakes-in-2016>
- **We had a "millennium's worth" of earthquakes in just 2 years, during 2014 and 2015:**
<https://www.csmonitor.com/USA/USA-Update/2016/0110/A-millennium-s-worth-of-earthquakes-What-are-states-going-to-do>
- **Big earthquakes have doubled in 2014 compared to each year since 1979:**
<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/big-earthquakes-double-in-2014-but-scientists-say-theyre-not-linked/>
- **A global SURGE in great earthquakes between 2004 - 2014:**
<https://phys.org/news/2014-10-global-surge-great-earthquakes-.html>

Earthquakes are happening in places that never had them before. Some say this is down to "fracking". Even if that was the reason, it does not matter as the sign is still being fulfilled. It isn't the only cause.

It is clear that this sign is being fulfilled, both through man's own destructive search for gas and oil, as well as other non-human causes - such as the Earth's own tectonic plate movements.

MASS ANIMAL DEATHS & EXTINCTIONS

Hosea 4:3

The beasts of the field, the birds in the sky and the fish in the sea are swept away.

Global populations of mammals, birds, fish, amphibians and reptiles have plunged by more than 68% between 1970 and 2020 (source: WWF and Zoological Society of London's biennial Living Planet Report 2020). Two years ago, the figure stood at 60%. **During the last few years we have seen fish, birds and other animals die in record numbers.**



Since 2010, millions of fish have been turning up dead in lakes, rivers and the sea. Birds have been dropping out of the sky in huge numbers and we are seeing other unusual animal deaths all around the world.

The honeybee crisis deepens as evidence shows there has been a dramatic decrease in bee numbers. **Millions of bees have died which is affecting the wider eco-system as bees are needed to pollinate plants. This negatively impacts insect food supplies and habitats.**

The massive rise in Jellyfish over the past few decades is a harbinger of the health of the world's oceans which are on the brink of catastrophe. Coral reefs are dying at an unprecedented rate. As the sea becomes more acidic and unable to support life, fish stocks are being decimated.

The book of Hosea not only applies to the nation of Israel, but to the whole world. **It contains prophecies concerning the state of the world we live in and these are being fulfilled in our world today!**

WAR

Matthew 24:6,7

You will hear of wars and rumours of wars... Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.

The word "nation" above is translated from the Greek word **ethnos**. This is where we get words like "ethnic" and "ethnicity" from. It suggests racial divides, but the meaning of "ethnos" goes further and means **types of people**. So while this does include race, it also includes other types.

Turn on the TV and watch the news. See how different types of people are rising against each other in the world today. The growth of the far-left and far-right is further evidence of the divided world in which we live. **Society is becoming increasingly polarised and is at war with itself.**

It can be about Brexit/EU, White Supremacists, Black Lives Matter, Sexism, Feminism, Chauvinism, Abortion, Climate Change, the list goes on...

People wage war through violent protest. Activists increasingly use militant tactics. People are attacked if they disagree. If you are not FOR the cause or you don't condone the methods used to achieve it, then you are automatically AGAINST it. **There is no middle ground.**

As you can see above, Jesus also says that "kingdom will rise against kingdom". This is talking about the countries and nations of this world.

In the 20th century alone, more people have been killed as a result of war **than all previous centuries combined.**

This has resulted in **hundreds of millions of people being killed** in wars such as:

- World War I
- World War II
- Russian Civil War
- Congo War
- Korean War
- Vietnam War
- Iraq
- Afghanistan
- Yemen

This sign is being fulfilled TODAY as war rages in societies and throughout the world.



VIOLENCE

Matthew 24:37

But as the days of Noah were, **so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.**

What was it like in the days of Noah and is the world today like it was then? **The Bible tells us what it was like in the days of Noah...**

Genesis 6:13

I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is **filled with violence** because of them.

Is the world today filled with violence? Yes! However, many say the world has always been this way, **yet never before has there been such anger and hate.** If you look at the world today, you will see people who are intent on violence. People who can not be appeased. People who are increasingly angry, filled with rage and waiting for any opportunity for violence. **There is no room for compromise.**

Mobs are formed, usually for some "noble cause". **It is merely a front and a tool for control and domination.** Violence is inflicted on people and property while cities burn. Riots are common place.

Protests turn violent. People are insulted, spat on and viciously assaulted. Violence is also inflicted upon truth itself, and that which is false is made out to be truth. Those pursuing violence are made out to be victims and somehow it is the victim's fault for causing offence. **The injustice deepens and so does the propensity for violence.**

Revelation 11:18

The **nations were angry**, and your **wrath has come.**

The violence in the world today shows that this sign is fulfilled.

SEXUAL IMMORALITY

Luke 17:28-30

People were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building. But the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulphur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all. **It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed.**

Jesus says He will return at a time similar to when Lot left Sodom. What were things like at that time? The Bible tells us what it was like...

Jude 1:7

Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding towns gave themselves up to **sexual immorality** and **perversion**.

Has the world today given itself up to sexual immorality and perversion (including homosexuality)? Yes! **Not only is sexual immorality increasing, but it is actually promoted in the name of "diversity"!**

Also in today's world, the internet enables paedophiles and others with unnatural sexual desires to carry out depraved acts. Dating apps exist to make it easy to find and sleep with multiple partners. Divorce rates across the world are increasing as infidelity becomes more common.

Over 1 MILLION sexually transmitted diseases were diagnosed around the world **every day in 2019** (source: WHO.int). **This sign is fulfilled!**



Offended? Don't be! Here's why...

Many in today's world push a false narrative that the gospel discriminates against certain groups. The truth is that the gospel is **totally inclusive**.

Whether you are black or white, whether you identify as male, female or some other gender, whether you are straight, gay or hold to some other sexual orientation - **it doesn't matter!**

INCREASE IN SIN

Matthew 24:12

Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold.

The world today is aching under the **burden of sin** and the love of most has indeed “grown cold”. Sin has increased so much in the world that it is not just tolerated, but **celebrated**. It is paraded and boasted of, just like it would have been in the towns of Sodom and Gomorrah (before they were destroyed).

It is not a coincidence that Pride is the name of the worldwide parade that celebrates sin.



Yet, even this is a sign.

The Bible prophetically tells us what is going to come after Pride...

Proverbs 16:18

Pride goes before destruction...

This is yet another sign that is being fulfilled in today's world.

Yes, the Bible is clear: homosexuality is sin. **But!** Telling lies and stealing are also sins. If liars and thieves who **repent of their sins** and come to Christ can be forgiven, then so can those who commit the sin of homosexuality. **There is no discrimination with God.**

We are **all** sinners. No one is excluded from the gospel because of their sexual orientation. Not one.

People only exclude themselves if they neglect the great salvation God has offered each of us which is described later on in this book.

FALSE PROPHETS & CHRISTS

Matthew 24:4-5,11

...many shall come in My Name, saying, I am Christ... and many false prophets shall arise and deceive many.

So many people have claimed to be Jesus Christ, fulfilling the words above that He spoke to His disciples.

There are also many false prophets and leaders such as

- **The Pope**
- **Muhammad**
- **Krishna**
- **Buddha**

There are also many **new age movements** and **false religions** that proclaim ways to eternal life such as...

- **Roman Catholicism**
- **Folk Religions**
- **Hinduism**
- **Islam**
- **Wicca**
- **Sikhism**
- **Buddhism**

Even worse is that there are many professed Christians in today's churches that appear to be "sheep leading the flock", but are really "inwardly ravenous wolves".

Another stunning prediction!

Jesus didn't say people will come in the name of Allah, Buddha or someone else, but that people will come in **HIS** name.

It is amazing to see the number of people throughout history who have claimed to be Jesus Christ in order to lead people astray!

See for yourself: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_people_claimed_to_be_Jesus

False teachers appoint themselves lofty titles of "Apostle" and "Prophet" and lead many people astray. Movements like New Apostolic Reformation teach deceptive and unbiblical doctrines.

Some of these "prophets" speak many fine sounding words, but their messages are vague enough so they can adapt to any possible future event. Some foolishly make specific claims about the future that don't come true, yet many people still blindly follow these false prophets! **This sign is truly fulfilled as discernment has left many churches.**

RISE IN THE OCCULT & SPIRITUALISM

1 Timothy 4:1

The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and **follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.**

Children's charity Barnardo's reports that **witchcraft is booming** during lockdown as TV shows and movies like Harry Potter glamourise magic and occultism. Many today read Horoscopes and toy with occult practices like Reiki, healing crystals and Tarot cards. Satanism is increasingly prevalent throughout America and the wider world.

Spiritualism has invaded many churches, with many focusing on providing spiritual encounters rather than teach the word of God, as people seek sensual experiences over living holy lives for Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 11:14-15

Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light. It is not surprising, then, if his servants also masquerade as servants of righteousness.

Demons have also come to give false visions through deceptive angelic encounters. In some cases, people have claimed that an angel has given them a new gospel (such as the "Book of Mormon").

In other cases, some have created new versions of the Bible after claiming they have been supernaturally empowered or the only ones to be given "special knowledge" (such as "The Passion Translation").

These false Bible translations are not really translations at all but false gospels. They consist of fine sounding words that are designed to appeal to the flesh. **They contain just enough truth to deceive, but enough error to lead someone into apostasy.**

UNSEALED PROPHECY

Daniel 12:4

But you, Daniel, roll up and **seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end...**

In the book of Daniel, an angel gives a prophecy to Daniel and then commands him to seal the words of the scroll. At the "time of the end", they would be unsealed, and we would **know what they mean**.

There is much agreement in the interpretation of many Bible prophecies today; especially of those in the book of Daniel.

The prophecies of Daniel 2 and 7 have been UNSEALED!

They point to the different kingdoms that have risen and fallen since Daniel's time right up to today. They also confirm that we are living in the last days before Christ's return!

See for yourself: <https://beholdchrist.org/exp/daniel2and7>

Daniel's 70 week prophecy has been UNSEALED!

This is the timeline that began when Artaxerxes issued the decree to rebuild the city of Jerusalem in 444 BC. It provides the exact number of years that passed by before the promised Messiah would appear. This prophecy is the main reason why many were able to anticipate the arrival of Jesus Christ just over 2000 years ago!

See for yourself: <https://beholdchrist.org/exp/daniel70weeks>

Daniel's 2300 day prophecy has been UNSEALED!

This points to the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary by Jesus Christ and the coming judgement upon the world.

See for yourself: <https://beholdchrist.org/exp/daniel2300days>

This alone confirms that we are living at the end of the current age.

INCREASE IN KNOWLEDGE

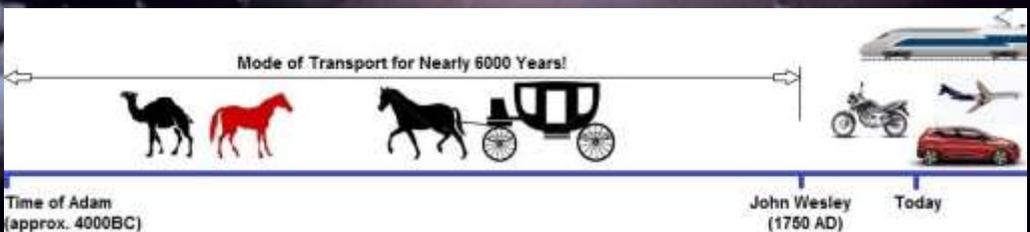
Daniel 12:4

...many shall run to and fro, and **knowledge shall increase.**

Has knowledge increased? Take a peek throughout history and you will see a slow and incremental increase in knowledge. Yet take a look at the **EXPLOSION** of knowledge over the past 150 years!

Today we have flat screen TVs beaming entertainment in to our homes, mass communication through mobiles phones, computers connected to the internet and powerful 3D games consoles that would have been inconceivable 100 years ago. Up until recently in history, the fastest form of transport was a horse. **Today, man can travel at hundreds of miles per hour, and cross the globe in a single day!**

And how about "*running to and fro*"? This is pointing specifically to our day with planes, trains, automobiles and the busyness of modern day life. **We are definitely running to and fro and have knowledge like no time before us.**



Technology has developed at a rapid pace, which has led to great improvements in computer power, AI, scientific discoveries and in the medical profession. **Never has knowledge increased in such a rapid way as it has done in our world today. This sign is truly fulfilled!**

APOSTASY & FALSE DOCTRINE

2 Timothy 4:3

The time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.

It was impossible for people to “gather teachers around themselves” in the past, yet the Bible accurately describes today’s world where we can now do this using social media. We can “like” and “follow” many teachers that suit only what we want to hear.

Many of these “teachers” say that God will bless you financially, cure you or someone you love of cancer or do some other amazing work in your life - if you “sow in to their ministry” (give them your money).



These prosperity preachers are con-artists disguised as Christians.

Some churches even teach that because Jesus died on the cross, the commandments no longer matter. People can live in wilful sin and enjoy freedom in lifestyles that are clearly not biblical.

There is a prevailing message today to simply “believe in Jesus Christ and be saved”. Sin is never mentioned, nor the need for repentance.

Rather than living by the standard in the Bible, the truth of scripture is misinterpreted to conform to what is acceptable in today’s world. Some passages of text are completely ignored. Others are put through all sorts of theological hoops in order to twist what the Bible clearly and plainly teaches about certain subjects.

Sin is sin! This sign is truly fulfilled as the word of God is set aside to pander to progressive elements within the church.

DEGENERATE PEOPLE

2 Timothy 3:2-5

People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God. Having a form of godliness, but denying its power.

Read through the list of above and consider how people have changed over the last 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 years. Do you think that people are becoming more or less like what is written in the verses above as the years go by?

As we approach the end, people will “wax worse and worse”, becoming more selfish, violent, unreasonable and unforgiving.

Greed is always on the rise, and as the desire for material things increases, other people are deprived and must make do with very little. **Some people in today's generation are lazy and refuse to work or help anyone but themselves. Yet many of these people are first to complain if they do not get what they are “entitled to”.**

People show off their lives on social media. Some obsess over themselves and take “selfies” constantly. There is no end to the vanity. Some endlessly post menial things on social media like what they are eating for breakfast. They are trying to find fulfilment through exalting themselves and getting other people to “like” them. **Today's world is all about “me” and the worship of one's “self”.**

The characteristics in the verses above point to many people of this generation. **It is clear to see the great degeneration of society that has happened over the past 100 years.** The moral depravation of this world has reached such a point today that it is just like Sodom and Gomorrah before judgement destroyed those cities with fire.

Thankfully, there is one other sign that is also being fulfilled that provides the only answer to all that is wrong in today's world...

GOSPEL PREACHED TO THE WORLD

Matthew 24:14

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; **and then shall the end come.**

God's people are preaching the true gospel throughout the world like never before. Through the internet, TV and satellite, radio, in the pulpit, and through print.

- As of October 2019 the full Bible has been translated into 698 languages.
- The New Testament has been translated into an additional 1,548 languages

Today, many people are bringing the message of hope in the gospel out of the church and in to the world through digital media such as YouTube.

The Bible can be downloaded as an App and sermons can be listened to on podcasts and digital music services.

We are living in a time like no other and the gospel message is reaching every corner of the earth.

Jesus warns us in the verse above, that once this is done, **only then shall the end come.** Why?

This is so the world will be without excuse when Christ returns. But what exactly is this gospel that is bring preached to the world?

Matthew 24:33-34

Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until **all these things have happened.**

This is the generation where “all these things” are happening!

If you have read this far then it is likely that you agree and can see that all the signs point to the fact that we are living **right at the end**. This world is marked for destruction. **It is ripe for judgement.**

Friend, this is serious! Your decision will determine the destination of your soul. It can live with God in heaven forever, or be sent to hell.

HELL IS A VERY REAL PLACE!



Yet God, in His great love and mercy, has provided an ark for His people just like in the days of Noah. He is calling people to repentance and sending us many signs to get our attention.

Those who reject Him today will have no excuse and can not say that they were not warned because THIS IS YOUR WARNING!

Why have your own soul thrown in to the lake of fire, a place reserved for the devil and his angels? How many times have you heard the message of the gospel and ignored it or put it off for another day?

Don't put God off any longer. He is calling you TODAY.

TOMORROW IS TOO LATE!

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?



In order to be saved, you must **recognise** that you have sinned against God. The Bible says that all have sinned. If you are in doubt about this, consider the questions below...

Have you ever told a lie?

Have you ever stolen anything?

Have you ever looked at someone in lust?

Have you ever hated someone?

Have you ever blasphemed God (used His name in a bad way)?

These questions are based on half of the 10 commandments which God gave to Moses. If you have answered "yes" to just **one** of these then **you have sinned** (and we haven't even looked at all 10 of them).

Some people say that God is unfair to expect people to live by such impossible standards but how can created things dictate to a Holy and righteous Creator what is fair or what is right?

Some people point to diseases like cancer or to starvation and all of the other ills in the world today and blame God. They say "if God is good, then why does He allow such bad things to happen?" Yet at creation, **everything was perfect**. It is precisely because of sin and rebelling against God that things have turned out the way they have.

The consequence of sin is playing out throughout human history. The decaying universe bears witness to the destructive power of sin while the whole of creation groans under the curse it brings.

You may be "better" than some people. You may even think you are a good person, but even if you devote all of your time and money to the poor, it doesn't matter. **You have sinned.** You will not be judged for the good things you have done, but for the sins you have committed.

A new creation is coming. Sin must be punished and dealt with once and for all. The punishment for **any soul** that has sinned is **hell**.

If you don't believe in God or if you don't believe that you deserve to have the wrath of God poured out on you for your sins, then you may stop reading and go and live your life.

However, if you see that you have sinned against God and see the desperation of your situation then there is hope for you because

- **God has made a way for YOU to be reconciled to Him.**
- **God has made a way for YOU to be with Him in His new creation.**
- **God has made a way for the price of all the sin that YOU have committed to be charged to **someone else's account**, so that YOU can escape punishment.**

Turn the page to see what it cost...

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that he gave **his one and only Son**, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through HIM.



As Jesus was on the cross and just before He died...

Matthew 27:46

About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means "My God, my God, **why have you forsaken me?**"

This was the moment that Jesus Christ, the **innocent** Son of God, paid the price for sin on our behalf.

The injustice He endured and the shame and the pain of the cross did not compare to being forsaken by His own Father. **Sin is serious, and Christ suffered separation from God so that we could be reconciled with the Father through Him.**

Then, 3 days later, and after having gained victory over sin, Jesus Christ defeated death itself and was raised back to life.

Revelation 1:18

I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, **I am alive for ever and ever!**

Jesus Christ, before the world was even created and who was with God in the beginning, stepped down from the glory He had with the Father, and lived a perfect life in the flesh and died for us.

- He suffered more injustice than any man or woman, dead or alive.
- He was innocent, having never broken any law in heaven or earth.
- He overcame the world, gaining victory over sin.
- He won the victory over death too, having been raised from death to life - for YOU!

If you believe that...

- God sent His only Son (Jesus Christ) in to the world to die for you
- Jesus Christ did not sin but paid the price for **your sins** and had the full wrath of God poured out on Him at His death on the cross
- Jesus Christ was rose again on the third day, defeating death

...then good news - you too can be saved from your sins... but!

There is still one more thing that you must do...

REPENT

Repentance is often left out of the gospel message with a focus on just believing in Jesus Christ and saying a prayer. It is also often misunderstood. Without genuine repentance, **you can not be saved.**

Acts 3:19

Therefore **repent** and return, so that your sins may be wiped away.

DO NOT BE DECEIVED! You can't "believe" in Jesus and continue to wilfully sin against God. People who profess to be Christian, but live sinful lives will **go to hell**. Jesus confirms this, as shown below...

Matthew 7:22-23

Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles? Then I will declare to them, '**I never knew you; depart from me, you who practice lawlessness.**'

You may feel regret and are genuinely sorry that you have sinned. You may even pray tearfully toward God and feel deep shame at the things you have done. Despite all this, **you may still be unrepentant.**

Hebrews 4:1-2

Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it. For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of **those who obeyed.**

Repentance is not an emotion, it is a **decision**. It is what you **do** that counts. A decision to obey God. To no longer choose your own way, but God's way. **To choose light over darkness, right over wrong, even if it costs you money, time, friends or pleasure.**



2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but **everyone to come to repentance.**

Doing what is good or right can **never** save us. Salvation is by the grace of God through Jesus Christ. Good "fruit" (works) come **after** salvation, not before it. Many today profess to be Christian, and say they follow Jesus, yet they live in wilful sin.

Whatever the sin, rather than hating it, if you make excuses and continue to do it and gratify the flesh, only serving yourself and not God, then it is likely that you are not saved. Jesus made it clear that many will **try** to enter heaven but will **not** be able to...

Hebrews 7:13-14

Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will **try to enter** and **will not be able to**.

If simply believing in Jesus Christ was all there is to it, then those who tried to enter would be able to. The reason they can't is because Jesus is not their Lord; sin is. **People love sin more than God**. If you have ever tried to stop sinning then you will know that it is **impossible**.

Thankfully, there is hope in Christ Jesus. You do not need to attain such an impossible standard, but **you must REPENT**. You must turn away from your sins and submit yourself to the will of God. This means putting God first and making Jesus Christ your Lord. But how?

Find some time and space to think about your own personal sins and about what Jesus Christ has done for you on the cross. Then come before God in prayer and confess your sins. The first prayer can be the most difficult. If you don't know what to say, then the prayer on the page to the right may help... **if you agree with it**.



Father,

I come before you with fear and reverence, knowing that you are the most high and holy God.

Yet, I also know that you are a loving and a merciful God.

For I believe you sent your only son, Jesus Christ, in to this world.

And that He was born in the flesh, perfect in every way, without blemish, and having never sinned.

And that He paid the penalty for my sins through His blood; by His death on the cross.

I also believe that He was raised from death on the third day.

Father, I confess that I am a sinner.

My sins are great and too numerous for me to recall.

Yet I know that you have a perfect record of all my sins.

Forgive me Father, for I am sorry and I repent of my sins.

I confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Lord Jesus, please baptise me with your Holy Spirit. Lord, teach me your ways, so that I may know you, obey you, and serve you with all my heart.

Father, I ask in the name of my Lord, Jesus Christ.

Amen



Praise the Lord! You have been reconciled to God.

If you are **sincere** then God has heard your prayer. Do not rely on your emotions or on your own strength. **Rely on Jesus.**

The devil is a wicked and cunning enemy. He will attack you and try to discourage you. **Do not believe his lies.** You have a greater and infinitely more powerful friend in Jesus Christ. First, you need to become strong so that you will not “fall away”.

1: Stop sinning.

Identify the big sins in your life and cut them out first. You will stumble, but you must persevere! Listen to your conscience. In time, you will find it easier to resist temptation, and sin will no longer be habitual.

2: Get a copy of the Bible and read it everyday.

It is food for the spirit. As you read it, God will speak to you. Read the New Testament first. “The Gospel according to John” is the perfect starting point for a new Christian.

3: Pray everyday.

Prayer can be difficult for new believers, but it is of utmost importance. Your prayers don't need to be long and filled with fine sounding words. Better to pray short and often, being honest and using normal words.

4: Have fellowship with other believers.

Find a Bible-based church to attend where you can grow in your faith. A good church will encourage you and instruct you on living for God.

5: Get baptised.

If you are sincere, and Jesus really is your Lord, then you will want to be baptised. Jesus commands it. Amazing things happen after baptism!

6: Tell people that Jesus Christ is your Lord and saviour.

Start with someone you trust such as a close friend or relative.

7: Rejoice and give glory to God!

Remember that you will soon be with Jesus in His kingdom. Praise Him for rescuing you and give all the glory to God! Hallelujah!

SUPPORT

Need a hand? Some examples of assistance is below.

- Providing you with a personal copy of the Bible.
- Prayer and intercession for you / for someone you know.
- Help with prayer / reading and understanding the Bible.
- Getting baptised / receiving the Holy Spirit.
- Need encouragement / just want to have a chat.
- Help in spreading the gospel / starting your own ministry.

Get in touch at <https://beholdchrist.org/contact>

John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. **No one comes to the Father except through me.**"



Instead of putting this book in the bin, why not help to spread the message of the gospel by passing it on to a family member, a friend or a work colleague? You can also leave it somewhere to be found like a waiting room or in a book library.



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